

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

1-40 canceled.

41. (New) A device for controlling display on a display apparatus in response to one or more processing units, the device characterized by comprising:

means for determining whether or not to provide an authorization to acquire one of a plurality of predefined display areas in response to an acquisition request for the one of a plurality of predefined display areas from one of the processing units; and

means for monitoring whether or not the authorization to acquire the one of a plurality of display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display command is implemented by the processing unit,

wherein when acquisition requests for the one of a plurality of predefined display areas are received from a plurality of processing units, the authorization is provided to one and only one of a plurality of processing units requesting for the one of a plurality of predefined display areas.

42. (New) A device according to Claim 41, further comprising means for prohibiting an implementation of the display command by an unauthorized processing unit on the one of a plurality of predefined display areas.

43. (New) A device according to Claim 41, wherein the predefined display area is a plane which is to be mapped onto a screen.

44. (New) A device according to Claim 41, wherein the processing unit is an application.

45. (New) A device according to Claim 41, wherein the processing unit is a plurality of applications.

46. (New) A device according to Claim 41, wherein the authorization is provided to the processing unit having a higher priority.

47. (New) A device according to Claim 41, further comprising means for notifying the one of the processing units whether or not the authorization is given.

48. (New) A device of controlling display on a display apparatus in response to one or more processing units, the device characterized by comprising:

means for receiving a request from one of the processing units for acquiring one of predefined display areas;

means for determining whether or not to provide an authorization to acquire the one of the predefined display areas in response to the request; and

means for monitoring whether or not the authorization to acquire the one of a plurality of display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display command is implemented by the processing unit,

wherein when a plurality of requests for acquiring the one of the predefined display areas from a plurality of processing units are received, the authorization is provided to one and only one of the processing units that made one of the requests for acquiring the one of the predefined display areas.

49. (New) A device according to Claim 48, further comprising means for prohibiting an implementation of the display command by an unauthorized processing unit on the one of a plurality of predefined display areas.

50. (New) A device according to Claim 48, wherein the predefined display area is a plane which is to be mapped onto a screen.

51. (New) A device according to Claim 48, wherein the processing unit is an application.

52. (New) A device according to Claim 48, wherein the processing unit is a plurality of applications.

53. (New) A computer-readable medium storing a plurality of instructions to be executed by at least one processor for controlling display on a display apparatus in response to one or more processing units, the plurality of instructions characterized by comprising instructions for:

determining whether or not to provide an authorization to acquire one of a plurality of predefined display areas in response to an acquisition request for the one of a plurality of predefined display areas from one of the processing units; and

monitoring whether or not the authorization to acquire the one of a plurality of display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display command is implemented by the processing unit,

wherein when acquisition requests for the one of a plurality of predefined display areas are received from a plurality of processing units, the authorization is provided to one and only one of a plurality of processing units requesting for the one of a plurality of predefined display areas.

54. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 53, further comprising the instruction for prohibiting an implementation of the display command by an unauthorized processing unit on the one of a plurality of predefined display areas.

55. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 53, wherein the predefined display area is a plane which is to be mapped onto a screen.

56. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 53, wherein the processing unit is an application.

57. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 53, wherein the processing unit is a plurality of applications.

58. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 53, wherein the authorization is provided to the processing unit having a higher priority.

59. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 53, further comprising the instruction for notifying the one of the processing units whether or not the authorization is given.

60. (New) A computer-readable medium storing a plurality of instructions to be executed by at least one processor for controlling display on a display apparatus in response to one or more processing units, the plurality of instructions characterized by comprising instructions for:

receiving a request from one of the processing units for acquiring one of predefined display areas;

determining whether or not to provide an authorization to acquire the one of the predefined display areas in response to the request; and

monitoring whether or not the authorization to acquire the one of a plurality of display areas is provided to a processing unit when a display command is implemented by the processing unit,

wherein when a plurality of requests for acquiring the one of the predefined display areas from a plurality of processing units are received, the authorization is provided to one and only one of the processing units that made one of the requests for acquiring the one of the predefined display areas.

61. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 60, further comprising the instruction for prohibiting an implementation of the display command by an unauthorized processing unit on the one of a plurality of predefined display areas.

62. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 60, wherein the predefined display area is a plane which is to be mapped onto a screen.

63. (New) A computer-readable medium according to Claim 60, wherein the processing unit is an application.

64. (New) A computer-readable medium according to 60, wherein the processing unit is a plurality of applications.

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The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 2, 3, 4, 6, 13, 15, 32, 33, 36, 39, 47, 48, and 49 that were implemented in the parent application. These sheets, which include the above mentioned figures replace the original drawing figures 2, 3, 4, 6, 13, 15, 32, 33, 36, 39, 47, 48, and 49.

Attachment: 12 replacement sheets of drawings.